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IN explaining these works to the public, I claim my authority, not only as an expert but as a friend of Mr. Whistler at the time that he was engaged upon his best work. No one, I venture to think, knew Whistler's work—from the etching of the plate to the printing of the proof—so intimately as I did.

This collection of mine is a collection of the very finest proofs, most of them first impressions in the most perfect condition, with the bloom upon them. In certain cases of the dry points the plates have been so delicate that two or three proofs have swept away the burr entirely, and so destroyed

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all richness, but my proofs are absolutely unique in their perfection.

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will be seen from my collection, greatly enhances the value, and brings out the quality of his rarest work.

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HIS volume is not in any sense a biography of the late Mr. Whistler. It professes to be nothing more than an account and appreciation of his work, and the biographical chapter which is prefixed gives only the chief facts of his life, so far as they affected his art. Many of these facts and dates are now

for the first time given correctly.

The book was begun by Mr. Way more than two years ago, but was laid aside, and taken up again, in conjunction with Mr. Dennis, a few months before the master's death. It is the outcome of an extensive study of his work, Mr. Way having been intimate with Mr. Whistler, and an enthusiastic admirer and student of his art, for more than twenty years. The table of Contents will afford some idea of the scope of the volume, which is the first attempt to give an account of warm side of the artist's activity."

every side of the artist's activity.

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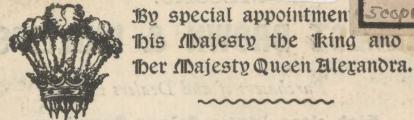
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